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HEY,
WAIT!
WHAT ABOUT YOU?
HAVE YOU NOTICED ANYTHING WHILE YOU TAUGHT HER?
EH?
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
SHE'S A PRETTY FAST LEARNER.

SHE'S ALWAYS LIKE THAT,
WITH A NATURAL TALENT OF QUICK-LEARNING ALMOST ANYTHING,
FASTER THAN ANYONE ELSE.
Falcon jump!
HEY, MAHO!
I CAN DO IT TOO NOW!
HOWEVER,
SHE LOSES INTEREST IN THINGS JUST AS FAST.

IT'S THE SAME WITH BASKETBALL.
SHE GETS ALL FULL OF HERSELF JUST AFTER LEARNING HOW TO MAKE SHOTS.
SHE THINKS IT'S ALL EASY-PEASY.
SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT BASKETBALL
SHE'LL JUST QUIT AGAIN SOONER OR LATER
JUST LIKE ALWAYS, SHE'LL LEAVE SOON AFTER DEFEATING ME,
WITHOUT GIVING ME A CHANCE TO AVENGE MYSELF!
NOT TO MENTION IT'S BASKETBALL THIS TIME!
THE THING I CARE ABOUT THE MOST...!
...
NATSUHI!

SAKI,
AND MINATO TOO?
IS SOMETHING WRONG?
AH... NOT REALLY.
WE WERE GETTING READY FOR BED
BUT COULDN'T FIND MAHO INSIDE,
SO WE'VE DECIDED TO LOOK FOR HER OUTSIDE.
MAHO?
!
BUT THEN WE HEARD THAT SOUND
AND FIGURED THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.

SFX: Bounce

SHOOT
SFX. Bounce
SFX. Bounce
WELL,
LOOKS LIKE SHE CAN'T EVEN TAKE IT EASY TODAY.
WHA?

HEY, NATSUHI,
I THINK I KNOW WHY YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN IGNORING MAHO LATELY.

YOU'RE THINKING THAT SHE'LL JUST GET BORED QUICKLY AND QUIT AS ALWAYS,
SO YOU'VE DECIDED NOT TO COMPETE WITH HER TO BEGIN WITH, RIGHT?
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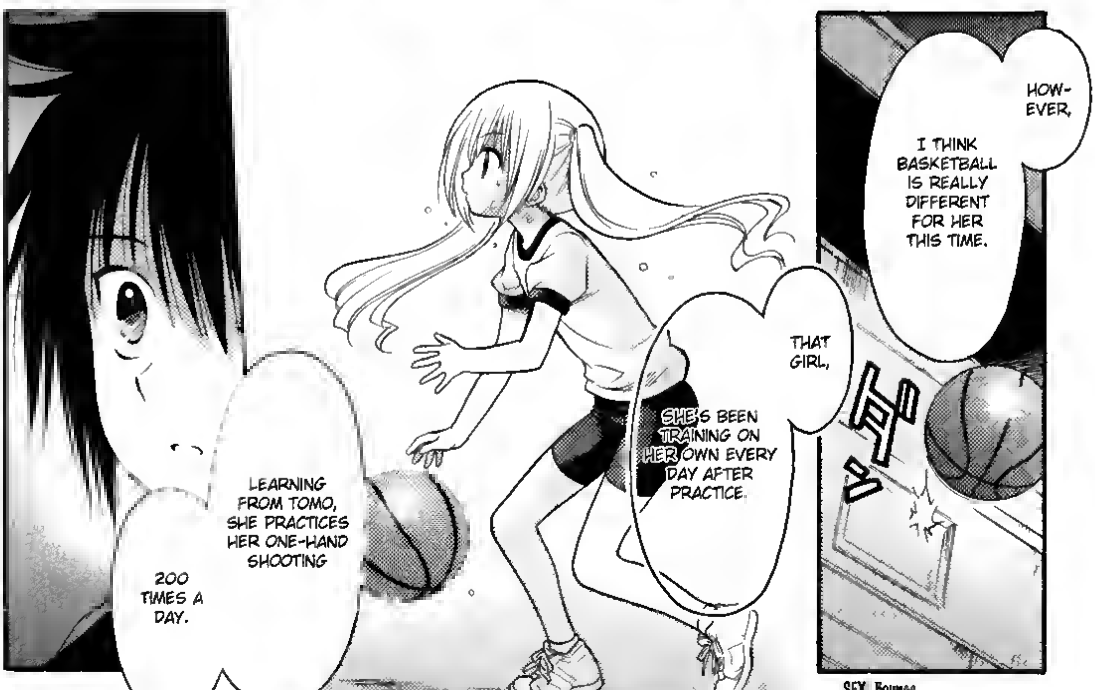
HOW-EVER, I THINK BASKETBALL IS REALLY DIFFERENT FOR HER THIS TIME.
THAT GIRL, SHE'S BEEN TRAINING ON HER OWN EVERY DAY AFTER PRACTICE.
LEARNING FROM TOMO, SHE PRACTICES HER ONE-HAND SHOOTING 200 TIMES A DAY.
SFX. Bounce

MAHO...

SFX. Bounce

LOOKS LIKE
MAHO FINALLY FOUND IT,
SOMETHING THAT SHE CAN REALLY DEVOTE HERSELF TO.

JUST LIKE TOMO,
WHENEVER THE TEAM IS IN TROUBLE, SHE WILL COME TO THE RESCUE.

MAHO WAS THE ONE WHO TALKED US INTO JOINING THE TEAM
I THINK SHE'S REALLY SERIOUS THIS TIME.
OTHERWISE, SHE WOULDN'T ALSO HAVE PREPARED PROTECTIVE GLASSES FOR ME
AND TRIED SO HARD TO CONVINCE ME TO JOIN
HOW-EVER,
I'M NOT GOING TO FALL BEHIND MAHO
OR YOU, NATSUKI!
PLAYING BASKETBALL IS LOTS OF FUN,
AND I'M REALLY GRATEFUL TO YOU GUYS FOR THIS.
SFX: Shoot
SFX: Bounce

MAHO-CHAN IS REALLY AMAZING.
SHE EVEN PICKED UP BASKETBALL SO QUICKLY.
I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE IF I COULD HELP HER OUT MORE.
AIRIN AND HINA, COME PLAY BASKETBALL!
IT'S REALLY FUN!
AND OF COURSE, I REALLY DO WANT TO GET BETTER AT BASKETBALL TOO.
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SFX: Bounce, bounce
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I...
THOUGHT THAT BEING WITH EVERY-ONE
WAS ALL I NEEDED TO BE HAPPY.

We'll be heading back first!
JEEZ, THAT SAKI...

THAT MAHO IS PRACTICING SO HARD.
... I'M REALLY GLAD

ME TOO..!

I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME BACK TO US, SUBARU-SAN.
TO SEE MY FRIENDS GIVING THEIR BEST FOR BASKETBALL.
JUST HOW MUCH OF A JOY IT IS
THANKS TO YOU I WAS ABLE TO SEE
EVEN THOUGH I STILL FEEL THIS WAY NOW,
I HOPE YOU'LL STAY WITH US
... FROM NOW ON...
... ALWAYS ...

I'M REALLY GRATEFUL TO YOU GUYS TOO.
SEEING HOW DEVOTED YOU ALL ARE TO BASKETBALL
MADE ME REALIZE
THAT I MUST WORK HARD AS WELL.
I WOULDN'T BE WHERE I AM NOW
WITH-OUT
YOU AND THE OTHERS.
SUBARU -SAN.
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Huff
Huff
SFX. Drop
TWO... HUNDRED!
SFX: Bounce
HEY, MAHOOO...
SO, ARE YOU ALL DONE?
SFX. Lean
SFX. Doze
SFX. Step
WELL, LOOKS LIKE I'LL JUST HAVE TO FIND A WAY BACK WITH THEM..
OH LOOK, IT'S THE SAME ON BOTH SIDES ..
SFX: Snore

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SFX. Struggle...
I CAN'T TAKE IT!
SFX. Cling...
GNNN...
SFX. Grin
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SFX. Snore
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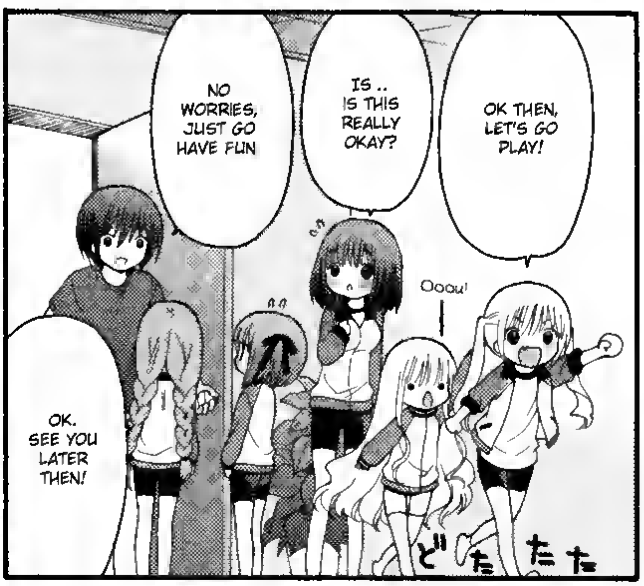
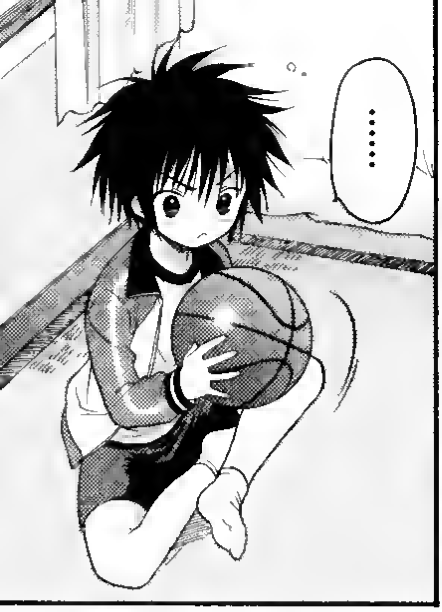


SFX: Step, step

SFX: Open

SFX: Pass

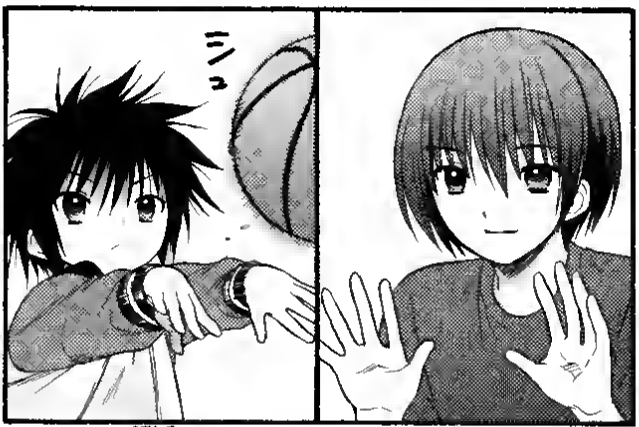
SFX: Pass



SFX. Spin

THIS IS PRACTICING, YOU KNOW?
IT'S NOT LIMITED TO JUST OUR REGULAR TRAINING.
SITTING STILL LIKE THIS HELPS YOU PRACTICE KEEPING YOUR UPPER BODY STABLE,
THUS HELPING TO IMPROVE YOUR BALL HANDLING SKILLS.

SFX: Pass // Catch



SFX. Pass

NOT REALLY
TAUGHT ...
I BASICALLY JUST SHOWED IT TO HER A FEW TIMES.
Cool!
ACTU-ALLY,
SHE ALREADY LEARNED IT.
WOW, SERI-OUSLY?
THIS TAKES SOME SKILL TOO.
TO THINK SHE CAN GRASP IT THIS QUICKLY ...
MAN, THIS IS JUST UNFAIR..
HEY NOW,
YOU SAW IT LAST NIGHT TOO.
!
SFX: Catch
MAHO HAS AL-WAYS BEEN PRACTICING HARD,
AND TOMOKA AS WELL.
MAHO STARTED LEARNING FROM SCRATCH TOO.
AFTER ALL, NO ONE'S BORN WITH THE SKILLS.
... WELL, UM...

ALTHOUGH I MAY NOT GET IT RIGHT AWAY,
CAN YOU TEACH ME ... HOW TO SPIN THE BALL TOO?
OUR COACH WON'T TEACH US THIS BECAUSE HE FEELS IT'S A POINTLESS TRICK.
I'LL TEACH YOU.
HEHE,
I can do it too
There.

SFX: Get up

... BUT,
WE CAN DO THAT ANYTIME LATER.
WHY DON'T WE GO OUTSIDE FOR A BIT FIRST?
IF WE FIND A GOOD SPOT TO PRACTICE, I CAN TEACH YOU SOME FIELD TECHNIQUES.
HOW ABOUT IT?
... OF COURSE!

SO WHAT KIND OF TRAINING DO YOU HAVE IN MIND?
EVERY-THING.
IT HAS NO BASKETBALL HOOPS, THOUGH.
THERE'S A PARK THIS WAY.
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SFX: Croak, croak
I WANT TO LEARN EVERYTHING YOU TAUGHT MINATO.
EVERYTHING!
HMM?
... AH.
IT'S TOMOKA NOW, EH?
SUCH A BUSY COMPE-TITOR...

OH.
MAN, THEY GOT HERE FIRST...
HEY, WAIT.
TAKE A LOOK FIRST.
AIRIN, A LITTLE MORE TO THE RIGHT!
WHAT ARE THEY DOING...?

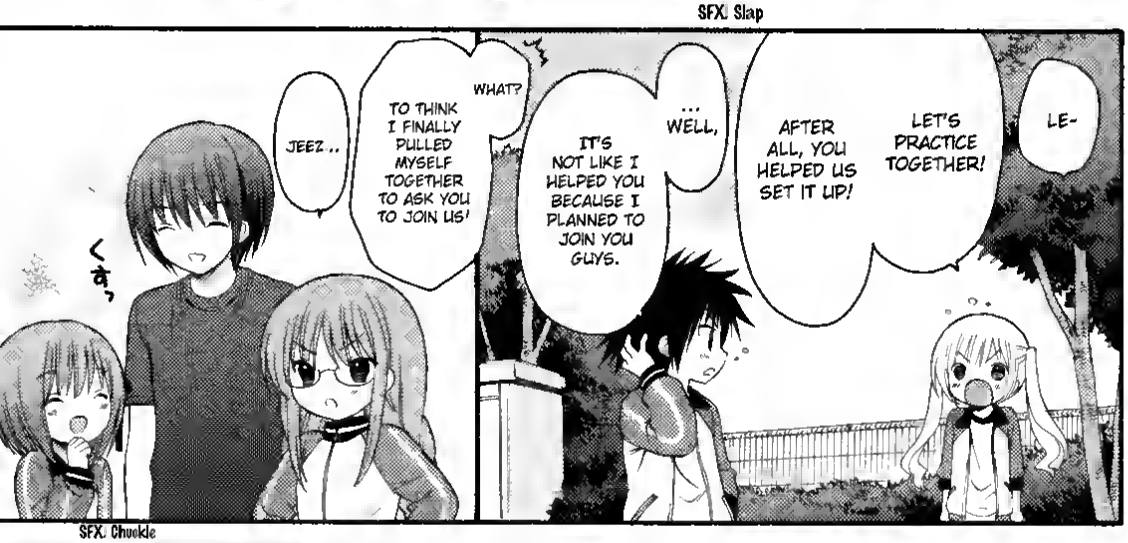
I CAN'T FASTEN IT!
BE- BE CAREFUL, OKAY?
IT NEEDS TO GO A LITTLE HIGHER.
WELL, LOOK AT THAT.
THEY'RE TRYING TO MAKE THEIR OWN BASKET HOOP.
...WHAT GIVES?
EVEN THOUGH SHE HADN'T SHOWN THE LEAST BIT OF INTEREST IN BASKETBALL UNTIL RECENTLY...
... HEY.
PROBABLY BECAUSE THE FIVE OF THEM GOT TO-GETHER.
I DOUBT THEY'D ENJOY IT THIS MUCH IF IT WEREN'T FOR ALL FIVE OF THEM TOGETHER.
THEY PROBABLY NOTICED IT WHEN THE FIVE OF THEM PLAYED TOGETHER.
LOVE BASKET-BALL.
IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE THEY
TRULY
?
BUT...
I THOUGHT THEY CAME TO THE PARK TO PLAY.
WHY ?
... IT'S
SUPPOSED TO BE FREE TIME RIGHT NOW.

AH...!
OOOU?
ARGH!
I CAN'T REACH IT!
SFX: Step
YOU HOLD THE BUCKET IN PLACE,
AND I'LL TIE IT UP.
WHA-
WHAT THE?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
YOU!
APO-LOGIZE FIRST!
APOLOGIZE FOR BEFORE!

I'M SORRY.
I'M REALLY SORRY.
I THINK I MIS-UNDER-STOOD YOU BE-FORE.

AND KEEP YOUR CHIN UP ALREADY!!
STOP ACTING SO DOWN...
SO, NATSUHI,
I GOT IT! I FORGIVE YOU!
STOP BEING SO MUSHY!
O-OK, ENOUGH!
...OK,
IT'S ALL GOOD.
LATER THEN.

SFX: Slap


LE-
LET'S PRACTICE TOGETHER!
AFTER ALL, YOU HELPED US SET IT UP!
... WELL,
IT'S NOT LIKE I HELPED YOU BECAUSE I PLANNED TO JOIN YOU GUYS.
WHAT?
TO THINK I FINALLY PULLED MYSELF TOGETHER TO ASK YOU TO JOIN US!
JEEZ..
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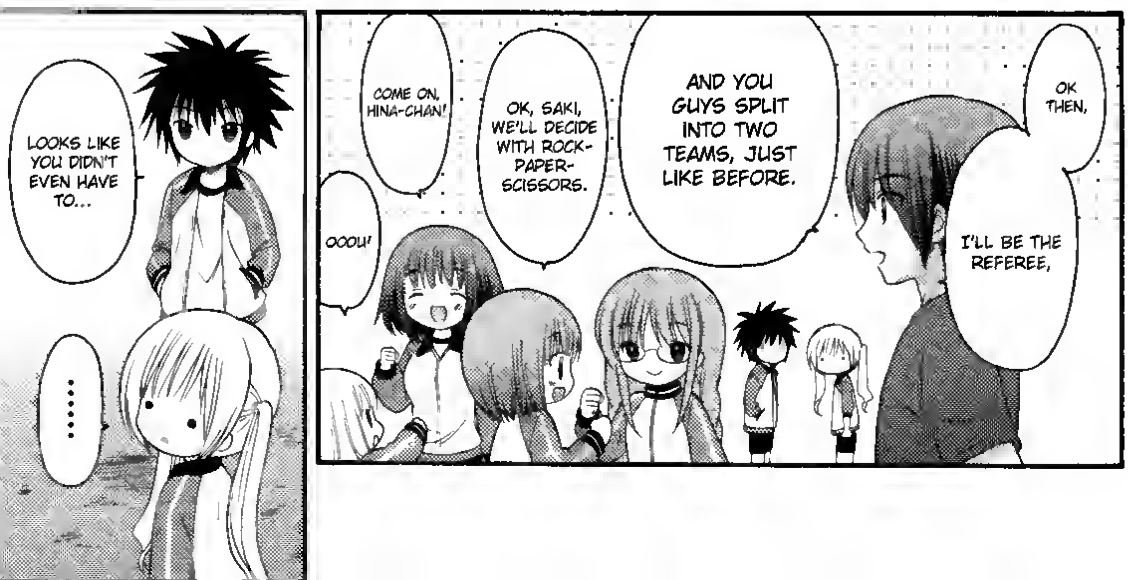
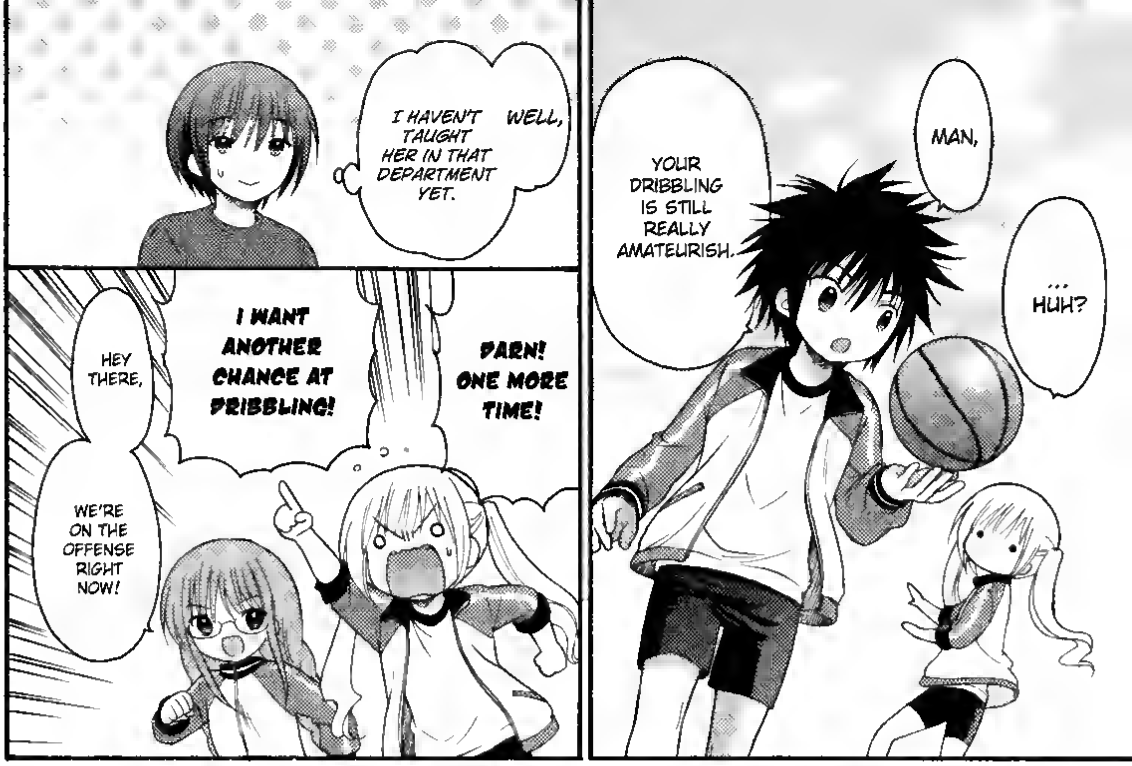
SFX: Chuckle


OK THEN,
I'LL BE THE REFEREE,
AND YOU GUYS SPLIT INTO TWO TEAMS, JUST LIKE BEFORE.
OK, SAKI, WE'LL DECIDE WITH ROCK-PAPER-SCISSORS.
COME ON, HINA-CHAN!
OOOU!
LOOKS LIKE YOU DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TO...
.....

... OH WELL,
YOU GUYS CAN'T PLAY WITH AN ODD NUMBER OF PEOPLE ANYWAY,
SO COME ON.
... YOU SHOULD'VE JUST SAID YES!
SFX: Bounce
COME ON, MAHO!

ALL RIGHT!
SFX: Stop
BEHOLD! MY FLAWLESS SHOOTING ...!
SO YOU CAN STILL ONLY SHOOT FROM THAT ONE SPOT?
SFX: Dash
TRY AND GET PAST ME.
SFX: Dribble
COME, MAHO!
IF YOU'RE GOING TO PERSEVERE IN BASKETBALL,
THEN I'LL JUST HAVE TO KEEP DEFEATING YOU!
IDIOT! GO AHEAD AND TRY!


I HAVEN'T TAUGHT HER IN THAT DEPARTMENT YET.
WELL,
HEY THERE,
I WANT ANOTHER CHANCE AT DRIBBLING!
DARN! ONE MORE TIME!
WE'RE ON THE OFFENSE RIGHT NOW!
YOUR DRIBBLING IS STILL REALLY AMATEURISH.
MAN,
...HUH?

SFX. Block
DON'T WORRY, MAHO.
I'LL AVENGE YOU HERE AND NOW!

SFX. Dash
MINATO!
I WON'T LOSE TO YOU THIS TIME!!
JUST WATCH!
TAKENAKAAA!
PAAASS!

SFX: Whoosh

SFX: Bonk

... SO TIRED!
WA HA HA HA HA
KYAAH
Whaaat?!
Ok then!
Go steal his ball!
Join us, Subarun!

SFX. Open
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OOOH! THERE'S CAKE TOO!
THERE'S PIZZA!
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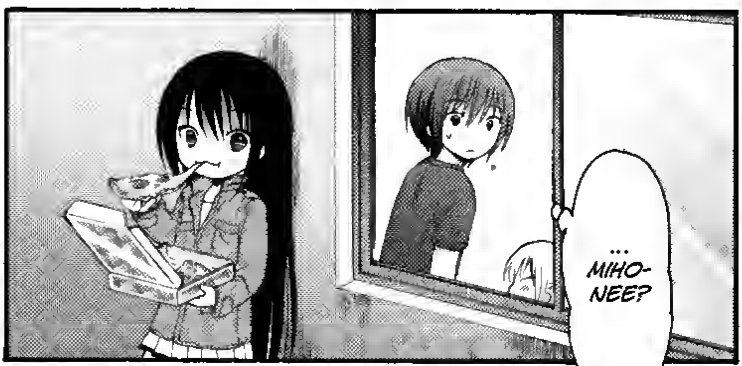
.... MIHO-NEE?

SFX. Growl
HUH?
OOOH! STARVING TOO...
SO WHAT ABOUT DINNER?
GROWL

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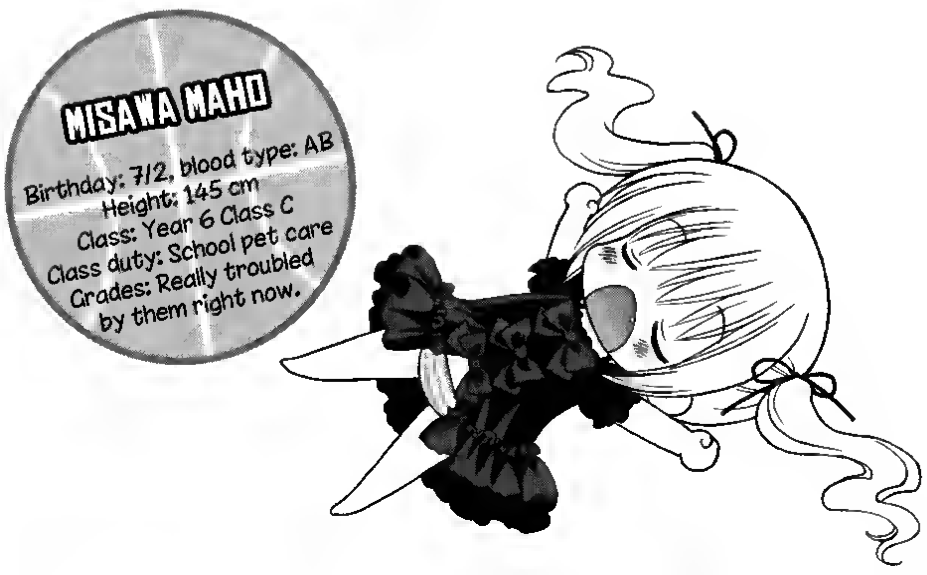
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